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SUBJECT: BIODATA ON FUMIHIKO SUZUKI, NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL

MOFA UN BUREAU

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1. AS REPORTED REFTEL, ON AUG 7 GOJ ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENT OF FUMIHIKO SUZUKI AS NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL OF MOFA UN BUREAU. SUZUKI HAD SERVED AS CONSUL GENERAL SYDNEY SINCE JAN 1972.

2. BORN SEPT 13, 1919, SUZUKI GRADUATED TOKYO UNIVERSITY LAW FACULTY IN 1942 AND JOINTED MOFA SAME YEAR. HE SERVED IN EUROPE AND ASIA BUREAU UNTIL CALLED TO ACTIVE SERVICE AS NAVY PAYMASTER LT IN 1944. DEMOBILIZED IN 1946, RETURNED TO MOFA AND WAS DETAILED TO CENTRAL LIAISON OFFICE, ECONOMIC DIVISION, FROM 1948 TO 1950, SUZUKI WAS ASSIGNED SUCCESSIVELY TO GENERAL AFFAIRS AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS BUREAUS, IN BOTH CASES WITH DUTIES IN ECONOMIC AREA. IN 1950, HE WAS SENT TO US FOR BRIEF PERIOD OF STUDY (INSTITUTION UNKNOWN) AND IN 1951 WAS TRANSFERRED TO ECONOMIC BUREAU (1951-1954).

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3. IN 1954, SUZUKI WAS POSTED TO EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON

AS SECOND SECRETARY. FOLLOWING PROMOTION TO FIRST SECRETARY IN 1956, HE RETURNED TO MOFA FOR DUTIES IN TREATIES BUREAU (1956-1958). FROM 1958 TO 1960, SUZUKI WAS DETAILED TO MITI, AND FROM 1960 TO 1962 HE WAS HEAD, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION DIVISION, ECONOMIC BUREAU. DURING THIS PERIOD HE TWICE ATTENDED GATT CONFERENCES IN GENEVA AS DELEGATE. IN 1962, HE WAS POSTED TO GOJ INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OFFICE IN GENEVA AS FIRST SECRETARY AND IN 1963 PROMOTED TO COUNSELOR. ON DUTY IN GENEVA UNTIL 1967, SUZUKI WAS SEVERAL TIMES DELEGATE TO MEETINGS OF GATT AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL BODIES. IN 1967, HE RETURNED TO JAPAN AS COUNSELOR IN ECONOMIC BUREAU, WITH PRIMARY DUTY AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND HEAD, MIDDLE EAST DIVISION. THEN, IN 1970, HE WAS NAMED DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF ECONOMIC BUREAU, POST HELD UNTIL ASSIGNED TO SYDNEY AS CONSUL GENERAL IN JANUARY 1972.

4. SUZUKI AND WIFE, KAZUKO, HAVE SON, NOBUHIKO (BORN 1958) AND DAUGHTER, ASAKO (BORN 1966).
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